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In re application of:

Geoffrey D. Ralston et al.

Application No.: 09/774,870

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For: PROCESSING OF UNSOLICITED BULK
ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 3151

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Technology Center/Art Unit: 2153

AMENDMENT

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Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 10 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 14 of this paper.



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